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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of November 10, 1999,  
Applicants respectfully request that the above application be  
amended as follows.

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